GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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CUT ON ESTABLISHMENT EXPENDITURE OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION UNITS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to effect a cut on the establishment expenditure of the defence production units;

(b) if so, whether the vacant posts are also likely to be abolished;

(c) whether the unserviceable stocks of the defence production units is to be sold;

(d) whether the ratio between the labourers and officers is tilted towards the latter in these units; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 341 FOR 17.8.2000

In order to improve quality, handle more sophisticated defence technology, improve efficiency and cost effectiveness and push exports, Ordnance factories and all the Defence Public Sector Undertakings have in consultation with the users formulated their Perspective Plans for modernisation and induction of new items/technology up to the end of X Plan period. This does involve some rationalisation of workforce due to higher level of skills required to exploit higher technology and for operation of high-tech machines. A statement showing the strength of officers and workers is enclosed which does reflect that the ratio of officers to workers have increased during the past 5 years.

2. Disposal of unserviceable surplus stock is a regular and continuous process for all the units.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE STATEMENT GIVEN IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 341 FOR 17.8.2000

STATEMENT SHOWING RATIO BETWEEN OFFICERS AND WORKERS

ORDNANCE FACTORIES

Year	Officer (excluding supervisoryl staff) Employees (a) (including supervisory staff)	Industria Total (a : b)	Ratio (c)	Officers + Supervisory Staff Sup. Staff) (c):	Industrial Employees (excluding (d)	Ratio (d)
1995-96	3286	159506	1:48	20650	142142	1:6.88
96		162729				
1996-97	3390		1:46	20199	139173	1:6.89
97	155982	159372				
1997-98	3457		1:46	19671	134917	1:6.86
98	151131	154588				
1998-99	4042		1:36	19809	130132	1:6.57
99	145899	149941				
1999-2000	4043		1:35	20188	125882	1:6.23
2000	142027	146070				

Defence Public Sector Undertakings

Year	Non-Executives (including supervisory staff)	Executives	Total	Ratio
1995-96	15445	78364	93809	1:5
1996-97	15356	75940	91305	1:5
1997-98	15416	74643	90059	1:5
1998-99	16068	74421	90489	1:5
1999-2000	16680	71747	88427	1:4